

ST. JAMES THE LESS CATHOLIC CHURCH

1032 CALEDONIA ST. , LA CROSSE, WI

Pastor

Rev. Roger J. Scheckel 782-7557

Associate Pastor

Rev. Roy Witucki 782-7557

Parish Staff

Secretary - Lynne Ostervich 782-7557

Parish Fax Number 796-0086

Coord. of Religious Ed - Donna Walz 782-0011

Parish Custodian - John Koelbl 782-7557

Youthope - 1353 Caledonia St. – Susan Swanke 782-1741

Senior Choir Director - Benedict Nguyen 779-5702

Parish Music Director - Dawn Pierce 787-5575

Consultative Bodies

Pastoral Council-Chair-Vacant

Sacred Worship Comm-Chair-Dawn Pierce 787-5575

Family Life Comm-Chair-Milt Tyler 784-3576

Education Comm - Vacant

Representative to Coulee Catholic Schools - Margaret Flottmeyer 781-1779

Representative to Aquinas PTO-Kathy Banasik 781-7799

Social Justice Comm-Chair-Al Mathews 782-0589

Finance Council-Chair-Elaine Bonsack 783-1791

Buildings and Grounds - Herb Bassett 781-4844

Parish Organizations

Parish Council of Catholic Women (PCCW)

President Rita Krueger 782-4658

Holy Name Society-President-Vacant

Weekend Masses

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.; Sunday, 7:30 & 10:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

During the School Year

Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m.; Saturday, 7:30 a.m.

During the Summer Months

Monday - Saturday, 7:30 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday, 3:30 p.m.; Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Baptisms

Call the rectory for an appointment.

Marriages

Arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the wedding. Call for an appointment.

Parish Library Hours

Tuesday - Friday, regular rectory business hours
(Use rectory front door)

Parish Website

www.saintjameschurch.net

January 29 - February 4, 2007

Weekly Schedule

Mon. January 29

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Leona Nichols

Tues. January 30

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Special Intention of the Reischl Family

Wed. January 31 - St. John Bosco

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Special Intention of Omar Gutierrez

Thurs. February 1

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Rose and Earl Gilbertson

10:00 a.m. - Finance Council Meeting

6:30 p.m. - RCIA

Fri. February 2 - Presentation of the Lord

First Friday

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Health & Welfare of Victoria Cox

8:30 a.m. - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9:30 a.m. - Benediction

Sat. February 3 - St. Blaise

First Saturday

7:30 a.m. - Mass for Cornelius Mauss with Blessing of Throats

8:00 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary

3:30 p.m. - Confessions

4:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass for Katherine Butkovich with Blessing of Throats

Sun. February 4 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. - Mass for St. James Parishioners

8:30 a.m. - CCD

9:00 a.m. - Confessions

10:00 a.m. - Mass for Virginia Drake

**READERS - COMMENTATORS
SERVERS - USHERS**

Saturday, February 3 - 4:30 p.m.

READER: P. Harnisch-Smith
COMMENTATOR: J. Schwabenbauer
MINISTERS: T. Duffrin/C. Patterson
USHERS: R. Bjorkman/K. Boswell
SERVERS: Jared Berger
Matt Bornheimer

Sunday, February 4 - 7:30 a.m.

READER: B. Sullivan/D. Pavela
COMMENTATOR: E. Addis
MINISTERS: J. Nelson
USHERS: R. Allen/J. Flottmeyer
M. Tyler
SERVERS: Charles Fuchsel
Chris Ganrude

Sunday, February 4 - 10:00 a.m.

READER: A. Marshall/R. Rusch
COMMENTATOR: A. Thompson
MINISTERS: V. Brauer
USHERS: J. Koelbl/G. Brauer
F. Benesh/O. Sagen
J. King
SERVERS: Andrew Reischl
Stephen Reischl

CHURCH COLLECTION

Envelopes/Plate	\$4,138.12
Youth Envelopes	19.49
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$4,157.61

Please note that confessions are heard before the weekend Masses in the small kitchen located in the gymnasium on the opposite end of the stage.

Please pray for family members or friends who are being activated for military duty overseas especially remembering Shane Deback, Paul Endris, and Mike Endris.

Catholic School's Week will be the week of January 28th. Check out the displays at the Mall from February 1st - 3rd.

We Belong To Christ Campaign

The final phase of our Stewardship Campaign has begun. All parishioners are being solicited either personally or by mail. Presently we have received \$78,880.00 in cash donations and \$380,700.00 in pledges. The overall parish goal is \$670,000. If you have not done so, please fill out your pledge card and return it to the rectory.

In the very near future we will be returning to our parish church. The financial means that is being used to pay for the painting and decorating of our church comes through the "We Belong to Christ Campaign". Hopefully all our parishioners will want to be part of this very worthwhile project. If you have not yet made a donation, please do so. If you misplaced your appeal card, contact the rectory and one of them will be sent to you. Thank you.

IRA Incentive

A recent tax law effective only for 2006 and 2007 has created a lucrative tax incentive to take money tax free from IRA accounts by contributing an amount directly to a charity. This law only applies to individuals who are required to take distributions from their IRA accounts because they are 70 1/2 or older. This new law is especially beneficial for people who have significant IRA accounts or are unable to itemize deductions. If you wish to make a contribution to the parish from your IRA account, please call or consult your tax advisor.

"Stop Abortion and Support Family Life" - Mass intention for a novena of Masses on First Saturdays from Oct.- June. The Feb. Mass will be Sat., Feb. 3, 7:30 a.m. at Blessed Sacrament. Everyone is invited to participate and pray for these intentions.

40 HOURS DEVOTION

The work in our Church is at last coming to a conclusion. We are planning to return to the Church the weekend of February 10th/11th. We will give thanks to God for the successful completion of this project with 40 hours of devotion before the Blessed Sacrament exposed, beginning Sunday evening (Feb. 11) at 7:00 p.m., concluding on Tuesday evening at 5:30 p.m. with Benediction followed by a reception in Murphy Hall. A schedule for the 40 hours devotion will accompany next weekend's bulletin.

CCD News...

The annual Chastity Ring Ceremony will be held on February 14, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at St. James. Reception will follow in Murphy Hall. If you would like to make your vows of chastity or renew your past vows, please call Donna at 782-0011 with your RSVP. Thank you.

Jason Evert will be at Blessed Sacrament Parish
Monday, February 26, 7:00 p.m.

Monsignor Anthony P. Wagener Parish Center
130 Losey Blvd.

Jason's presentation on Chastity is appropriate and valuable for entire families, especially for teens and young adults.

Free will offering taken.

About Jason Evert...

Thirty-one-year-old Jason Evert earned a master's degree in theology, and undergraduate degrees in counseling and theology, with a minor in philosophy at Franciscan University of Steubenville. He is the author of many books including Pure Love, which challenges young people to embrace the virtue of chastity. Jason speaks at seminars, participates in debates, and responds to thousands of questions about Catholicism from people around the world.

After giving chastity presentations solo for three years, Jason teamed up with Crystalina Padilla (26), who was trained as a chastity speaker by the Challenge Task Force on Chastity. They speak to over 100,000 teens each year in Catholic, Christian, and public high schools around the country. Both Jason and Crystalina are full-time apologists with Catholic Answers, the nation's largest lay-run apostolate for apologetics and evangelization. After a year of speaking as an engaged couple, Jason and Crystalina married in June of 2003 and continue to share their inspirational testimonies with hundreds of thousands of teens and parents. In their highly popular chastity seminar "Romance without Regret", the duo provides compelling and uplifting reasons for embracing the virtue of chastity.

Together, Jason and Crystalina are on the Board of Advisors for the National Abstinence Clearinghouse, and are frequent guests on radio programs throughout the country. Their television appearances include Fox News, Donahue, BBC, WGN, and EWTN. Jason and Crystalina were given the 2003 Impact Award from the national Abstinence Clearinghouse in recognition of their success in working with teens.

Weekly Readings

January 29 - February 4

Monday - Heb 11: 32-40; Mk 5: 1-20

Tuesday - Heb 12" 1-4; Mk 5: 21-43

Wednesday - Heb 12: 4-7, 11-15; Mk 6: 1-6

Thursday - Heb 12: 18-19, 21-24; Mk 6: 7-13

Friday - Mal 3: 1-4; Heb 2: 14-18; Lk 2: 22-40

Saturday - Heb 13: 15-17, 20-21; Mk 6: 30-34

Sunday - Is 6: 1-2a, 3-8; 1 Cor 15: 1-11 or 1 Cor 15: 3-8, 11; Lk 5: 1-11

Begin the New Year with a Bible Study!

The Church & The Christian Community is an 8 week study on Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. Monday nights beginning February 5th at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory library. \$7.00 covers the cost of a student workbook.

The Great Adventure Bible Timeline, a 24 week series with Jeff Cavins, gives the serious Bible student a better understanding of the Old Testament and how it leads us to the New Testament. Tuesday nights beginning February 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory library. \$13.00 covers the cost of the student responses.

For more information or to register, call 782-0011.

Mark your calendars!

Mardi Gras

January 28, 2007

Family Festival at the LaCrosse Center

Adults and Kids over 12 are \$3

Kids 12 and under are FREE

Food, Entertainment, Games, Petting Zoo, Jump Houses and much more.

Attention CCS and Home School Students:

Your offering envelopes are on the table in the chapel. Please pick up your envelopes and record your name and number on the sheet provided. Thank you.

Marian Catechist February First Saturday Gathering at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, February 3rd, 9:00 a.m. gathering; video of Father Hardon on "Meditation on the Life of Christ" will be shown; Holy Mass at 11:00 a.m. followed by the praying of the Rosary. Come and learn from Father Hardon what is meditation and how to practice Christian meditation. All are welcome.

Visit our parish website at www.saintjameschurch.net to get a close up view of our stained glass windows.